

ADHY^YA III.

MANDALA IX. CONTINUED.

IV. CONTINUED.

SL-KTJL IX. (LXXVI.)

The *JRishi* is KAVI the son of BERIGTT; the deity is
Pavam&na
&oma; the metre is *Jagati*.

1. ¹(*Soru(i)*) the sustainer (of all) flows
 from the
 firmament, the purifiable juice, the
 invigorator of
 the gods, worthy to be praised "by
 the priests;
 green-tinted like a horse let loose by the
 charioteers
 he easily restores his vigour in the
 waters.
2. Like a hero he carries weapons in
 his hands,
 desirous of enjoying felicity, mounting
 his chariot
 in quest of the cattle (of the worshipper),
 animating
 the strength of IMXRA, IXDU: urged by
 the wise
 performers of pious acts, is anointed
 (with the milk
 and curds).
3. *Soma*, who art purified, who desirest
 strength
 enter IXDRA'S belly in a mighty
 stream; milk
 heaven and earth for us as lightning
 (milks) the
 clouds; now with the rite² mete (unto us)
 abundant
 food.

¹ Yerses 1 to 3 occur, with slight variations,
 Sam a Yeda,
 LI. 5. 1. 12; verse 1 also *ibid.* L 6. 2. 2. 5.

- *i.e.* at the very time the rite is being performed.